

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment, and early and favorable consideration of the subject application, are respectfully requested.

Claims 22-25 are pending.

CONCLUSION

In view of above remarks, reconsideration of the outstanding rejection and allowance of pending claims 22-25 is respectfully requested.

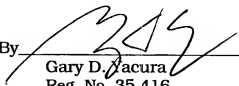
If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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